

THE PRESIDENT'S DENIALS

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“And it was at that point that he gave his account of what had happened to me [sic] and he said that Monica - and it came very fast. He said, ‘Monica Lewinsky came at me and made a sexual demand on me.’ He rebuffed her. He said, ‘I’ve gone down that road before, I’ve caused pain for a lot of people and I’m not going to do that again.’

She threatened him. She said that she would tell people they’d had an affair, that she was known as the stalker among her peers, and that she hated it and if she had an affair or said she had an affair then she wouldn’t be the stalker any more.”

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“And he said, ‘I feel like a character in a novel. I feel like somebody who is surrounded by an oppressive force that is creating a lie about me and I can’t get the truth out. I feel like the character in the novel Darkness at Noon.’

And I said to him, I said, ‘When this happened with Monica Lewinsky, were you alone?’ He said, ‘Well, I was within eyesight or earshot of someone.’”

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